Declaration of Bangalore as A-1 City

2338. SHRI K.C. KONDAIAH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the population of Karnataka as per the figures of the Second Paper of the population totals of Karnataka;

(b) the population of Bangalore as per the above result; and

(c) whether there is any proposal to declare Bangalore as A-1 City for purposes of higher rate of HRA/CCA to Central Government Employees?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL) : (a) and (b) Final population figures of Karnataka and Bangalore are not yet available.

(c) The reclassification of all cities for revised rates of HRA/CCA to Central Government Employees will be considered when the final population figures as per 2001 census are available from the Registrar General of India.

Loan distribution in U.P.

†2339. SHRI MUNAVVAR HASAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of loan sanctioned by banks under various heads in various districts of Uttar Pradesh during the last three years;

(b) whether it is a fact that banks are committing negligence in realization of loans from the borrowers as a result of which the condition of banks is deteriorating ;

(c) if so, the details of the steps being taken for timely realization of loans with interest; and

(d) the amount realized from the borrowers during the last three years?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) The details of outstanding credit of all commercial banks in Uttar Pradesh under priority sector for the last three years are given below:

(Rs. in lakhs)

As on the last Friday of	Total Priority sector	Of which to :			
		Agriculture	Small Scale Industry	Setting up of Industrial Estate	Total Advances to other priority sector
March 1998	865459	305602	341231	55	210853
March 1999	961993	346186	370997	518	236193
March 2000	1388707	404845	398180	83	297809

(b) No. Sir.

(c) A number of measures such as One Time Settlement, recovery drives, DRT cases etc. have been taken by the banks.

(d) Data as available from the convenor bank of Uttar Pradesh reveal that 16.95 per cent of the advances are blocked in Non-Performing Assets in December 1999, 14.30 per cent in March 2001 and 14.03 per cent in June 2001.

Liaison officers for SC/ST/OBC

2340. SHRI MOOLCHAND MEENA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a)whether some of the Department/Sub-ordinate and Attached Offices, Public Sector and Autonomous Organisations/Corporations under the Ministry of Finance are not nominating Liaison Officers for SC/ST and OBC as required under MHA OM No. 16/17/67-Estt. (c) dated the 10th April, 1968 (DoPT OM No. 36022/5/76 dated the 27th May, 1976) for ensuring proper compliance of Government instructions in the matters of reservations for SC/ST and OBC;

(b) if so, the names of such Offices/Organisations; and

(c) the names of Organisations which function as Administrative Units under this Ministry and the Liaison Officers nominated as on date?